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KINGSBRIDGE & SALCOMBE PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

PORT HEALTH AND RIPARIAN AUTHORITIES

ANNUAL REPORTS OF MEDICAL OFFICERS OF HEALTH

1. Article 17(5) of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935, provides that a Medical Officer of Health shall, as soon as practicable after the 31st day of December in each year, make an Annual Report to the Authority up to the end of December on the sanitary circumstances, the sanitary administration and the vital statistics of the District, containing, in addition to any other matters upon which he may consider it desirable to report, such information as may from time to time be required by the Minister.

2. Article 27(18) of the Regulations provides that the Sanitary Inspector shall, as soon as practicable after the 31st day of December in each year, furnish the Medical Officer of Health with a tabular statement containing the following particulars :—

(*a*) The number and nature of inspections made by him during the year ;

(*b*) The number of notices served during the year, distinguishing statutory from informal notices ;

(*c*) The result of the service of such notices.

3. The records of the Authority should accordingly be kept in such form as to enable their Medical Officer of Health to prepare his Report without delay at the close of each year. **The Report should be in the form and sequence indicated herein—the lettering of the tables being adhered to.**

4. The Medical Officer of Health should include in his Report any comments which he may think desirable (1) under the several heads indicated herein, and (2) in regard to the need for any developments or extensions which, in his opinion, are necessary to render the work of the Authority fully efficient.

5. In the case of those ports which are approved under the Aliens Order, 1920, for the landing of aliens, the Medical Officer of Health should report generally upon the work of medical inspection of aliens.

6. The Medical Officer of Health should send to the Minister three copies of his Report by the 31st March of the year following that to which the report relates. The copies should be addressed to The Secretary, Ministry of Health, Whitehall, London, S.W.1. If the Authority are not the Council of a County Borough, the Medical Officer of Health should also send a copy of his Report to the County Council and, where a Port Health District is in more than one administrative county, a copy should be sent to the Council of each County concerned.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

December, 1946.

APPENDIX

Matters to be dealt with in the Annual Reports of Port Medical Officers of Health

I. Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

Table A

—	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected: By the Medical Officer of Health	Number inspected: By the Sanitary Inspector	Number reported to be defective	Number of vessels on which defects were remedied	Number of vessels on which defects were found and reported to Ministry of Transport Surveyors	Number of vessels reported as having, or having had, during the voyage infectious disease on board
Foreign: Steamers ...								
Foreign: *Motor ...								
Foreign: Sailing ...	11	219						
Foreign: Fishing ...	4	106						
Total Foreign ...	15	325						
Coastwise: Steamers ...								
Coastwise: *Motor yachts ...	4	1174						
Coastwise: Sailing ...	132	2467						
Coastwise: Fishing ...								
Total Coastwise ...	136	3641						
Total Foreign and Coastwise	151	3966						

* Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than steamers.

II. Character of Trade of Port

Table B

(*a*) Passenger Traffic during the year

No. of Passengers	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	Transmigrants
Inwards				
Outwards				

(*b*) Cargo Traffic

Principal imports. Principal exports.

(*c*)

Foreign Ports from which vessels arrive.

* MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Annual return by the Medical Inspector of Aliens for the year ended 31st December, 194—.

	Total	Number Inspected by the Medical Inspector	Number subjected to detailed examination by the Medical Inspector	Certificates issued: Lunatic idiot or M.D.	Certificates issued: Undesirable for medical reasons	Certificates issued: Physically incapacitated	Certificates issued: Suffering from acute infectious disease	Certificates issued: Landing necessary for adequate medical examination	Transmigrants
(*a*) Total number of Aliens landing at the Port ...									
(*b*) Aliens refused permission to land by Immigration Officer									
(*c*) Transmigrants									
Total Aliens arriving at the Port									

Total number of vessels carrying Alien passengers ... ...
Number of Vessels dealt with by the Medical Inspector ... ...

* Applicable only to Ports approved for the landing of Aliens.

III. Water Supply

(1) Source of supply for (*a*) the port, (*b*) shipping.

(2) Hydrants and hosepipes. What precautions are taken against contamination ?

(3) Number of water boats and their sanitary condition.

IV. Port Health Regulations, 1933 and 1945

(1) Arrangements for dealing with Declarations of Health.

(2) Boarding of vessels on arrival.

(3) Notification to the Authority of inward vessels requiring special attention (wireless messages, land signal stations, information from pilots, Customs Officers, etc.).

(4) Mooring stations designated under Article 10 : (*a*) within the docks, (*b*) outside the docks.

(5) Particulars of any standing exemptions from the provisions of Article 14.

(6) Experience of working of Article 16.

(7) What, if any, arrangements have been made for :—

(*a*) Premises and waiting rooms for medical examination.

(*b*) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons and clothing and other articles.

(*c*) Premises for the temporary accommodation of persons for whom such accommodation is required for the purposes of the Regulations.

(*d*) Hospital accommodation available for Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Small pox and other infectious diseases.

(*e*) Ambulance transport.

(*f*) Supervision of contacts.

(8) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rats for plague.

(9) Arrangements for other bacteriological or pathological examinations.

(10) Information as to the location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen under international arrangements, including in-patient treatment ; also as to the steps taken to make these facilities known to seamen.

(11) Arrangements for the interment of dead.

(12) Other matters, if any, requiring or receiving attention.

TABLE C

Cases of Infectious Sickness landed from Vessels

Disease	No. of Cases during the year		No. of Vessels concerned	Average No. of Cases for previous 5 years
	Passengers	Crew		

TABLE D

Cases of Infectious Sickness occurring on Vessels during the voyage but disposed of prior to arrival

Disease	No. of Cases during the year		No. of Vessels concerned	Average No. of Cases for previous 5 years
	Passengers	Crew		

If any case of Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Smallpox or Typhus occurred, or if plague-infected rats were discovered, or if any severe outbreak of Malaria occurred on an arriving ship during the year, a short account should be given of the steps taken.

V. Measures against Rodents

(1) Steps taken for detection of rodent plague (*a*) In ships in the port. (*b*) On quays, wharves, warehouses, &c., in the vicinity of the port.

(2) Measures taken to prevent the passage of rats between ships and the shore.

(3) Methods of deratisation of (*a*) Ships. (*b*) Premises in the vicinity of docks or quays.

(4) Measures taken for the detection of rat prevalence in ships and on shore.

(5) Rat-proofing.

(*a*) To what extent are docks, wharves, warehouses, &c., rat proof ?

(*b*) Action taken to extend rat-proofing.

(i) in ships ; (ii) on shore.

Rats destroyed during the year

TABLE E

(1) On Vessels

Number of Rats	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total in Year
Black													
Brown													
Species not recorded ...													
Examined													
Infected with plague ...													

TABLE F

(2) In Docks, Quays, Wharves and Warehouses

Number of Rats	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total in Year
Black													
Brown													
Species not recorded ...													
Examined													
Infected with plague ...													

TABLE G.

Measures of Rat Destruction on Plague "infected" or "suspected" Vessels or Vessels from plague infected ports arriving in the Port during the year

Total number of such Vessels arriving 1.	Number of such Vessels fumigated by SO_2. 2.	Number of Rats killed 3.	Number of such Vessels fumigated by HCN 4.	Number of Rats killed 5.	Number of such Vessels on which trapping, poisoning, &c., were employed 6.	Number of Rats killed 7.	Number of such Vessels on which measures of Rat destruction *were not carried out* 8.

TABLE H.*

Deratisation Certificates and Deratisation Exemption Certificates issued during the year

Net Tonnage 1.	No. of Ships 2.	No. of Deratisation Certificates Issued					No. of Deratisation Exemption Certificates Issued. 8.	Total Certificates Issued 9.
		After fumigation with			After Trapping, Poisoning, etc.	Total.		
		HCN 3.	Sulphur 4.	HCN and Sulphur 5.	6.	7.		
Ships up to 300 tons								
,, from 301 tons to 1,000 tons								
,, ,, 1,001 ,, 3,000 ,, ...								
,, ,, 3,001 ,, 10,000 ,, ...								
,, over 10,000 tons								
TOTALS								

* Applicable only to those Ports approved by the Minister of Health for the issue of Deratisation Certificates and Deratisation Exemption Certificates in accordance with the provisions of Article 28 of the International Sanitary Convention, 1926. (Form Port 11.)

VI. Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

TABLE J

Classification of Nuisances

Nationality of Vessel	Number inspected during the year	Defects of original construction	Structural defects through wear and tear	Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health
British				
Other Nations				

VII. Food Inspection

(1) Action taken under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937, the Public Health (Imported Milk) Regulations, 1926, and the Public Health (Preservatives, &c., in Food) Regulations, 1925 to 1940.

(2) *Shell-fish.* Information respecting any shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the P.S.A. stating whether they are in the opinion of the Medical Officer liable to pollution. Report of any action taken under the Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations, 1934, or the Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

(3) *Number of Samples of Food examined by :—*

(*a*) Bacteriologist.

Nature of Sample. Result of Examination

(*b*) Analyst.

Nature of Sample. Result of Examination

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